SENATE BILL No. 210

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-50-3-1.

Synopsis: Misdemeanor probation. Provides that the maximum term of probation for any class of misdemeanor is one year, notwithstanding the maximum term of imprisonment for the misdemeanor. Provides that a combined term of imprisonment and probation for any class of misdemeanor may not exceed one year.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.





First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 35-50-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 1. (a) The court may suspend any part of a sentence for a misdemeanor.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), whenever the court suspends in whole or in part a sentence for a Class A, Class B, or Class C misdemeanor, it may place the person on probation under IC 35-38-2 for a fixed period of not more than one (1) year, notwithstanding the maximum term of imprisonment for the misdemeanor set forth in sections 2 through 4 of this chapter. However, the combined term of imprisonment and probation for a misdemeanor may not exceed one (1) year.
- (c) Whenever the court suspends a sentence for a misdemeanor, if the court finds that the use or abuse of alcohol, drugs, or harmful substances is a contributing factor or a material element of the offense, the court may place the person on probation under IC 35-38-2 for a fixed period of not more than two (2) years. However, a court may not place a person on probation for a period of more than twelve (12)

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months in the absence of a report that substantiates the need for a
period of probation that is longer that twelve (12) months for the
purpose of completing a course of substance abuse treatment. A
probation user's fee that exceeds fifty percent (50%) of the maximum
probation user's fee allowed under IC 35-38-2-1 may not be required
beyond the first twelve (12) months of probation

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SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] IC 35-50-3-1, as amended by this act, applies to misdemeanors committed after June 30, 2001.

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